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Title : VANILLIN POLYMER FOR USE IN DARKENING THE SKIN

REPLY TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action of September 25, 2009, please amend the above-identified application as indicated below.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.

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